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## Dear Delaware Community Leader:

As Secretary of the Department of Technology and Information (DTI), I understand how technology levels the playing field in terms of creativity and entrepreneurial spirit that exists in each person. Reliable high speed Internet access is an important building block for successful families, businesses, and communities. That is why it is essential for all Delawareans to understand the digital divide that exists in our country and our State.

I want to thank you for volunteering your time to this initiative of helping others in your community learn about the benefits and opportunities of broadband. Broadband can be expensive, but the good news is that Delaware offers a number of ways to get online at little or no cost.

In this folder you will find a number of materials to help you spread the word among the communities you serve. The most important part of your package is the information regarding how to access the "Winning the Future" PowerPoint presentation. We have made the presentation easy to use in different formats so that you can choose the best way to present it to your group.

There is a brochure for your participants to take home with them after your presentation. It can easily be reproduced on a copy machine, along with the glossary of commonly used Internet terms. We included some tips for giving presentations and a booklet with the PowerPoint slides and speaker's notes.

High speed Internet access is crucial in the success of families and communities. Unless we encourage all Delawareans to reap the benefits of high speed Internet access we risk our children and communities to second class futures. Bridging the digital divide strengthens our State educationally and economically.

Thank you again for your help and getting all Delawareans online.

Sincerely,

James H. Sills, III Secretary/CIO Department of Technology and Information